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Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find the following:

1. Amendment Transmittal with Certificate of Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8(a) dated February 20, 2004 (2 pages); and
2. Amendment A in response to non-final office action mailed 12/15/2003 (7 pages);

Best regards,

Ronald E. Smith  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No. : 10/064,847 Confirmation No.: 3128  
Applicant: : Aldo A. Laghi  
Filed: : 08/22/2002  
Art Unit : 3738  
Examiner : Alvin J. Stewart

Docket No. : 1098.37  
Customer No. : 21901  
For : Prosthetic Foot with Medial/Lateral Stabilization

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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL**

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

**STATUS**

2. Applicant is an independent inventor. A statement was already filed.

**EXTENSION OF TERM**

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

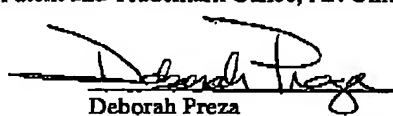
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(37 C.F.R. 1.8 (a))

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this Amendment A, including Introductory Comments, Amendments to the Claims, and Remarks, is being transmitted by facsimile to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, Art Unit 3738, Attn: Mr. Alvin J. Stewart, (703) 872-9302 on February 20, 2004.

Dated: February 20, 2004

  
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**FEE FOR CLAIMS**

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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Indep.	2	Minus	3	= 0	x \$43 =	\$0
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim					+ \$145 =	\$0
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No additional fee for claims is required.

Very respectfully,



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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the non-final Examiner's Action mailed 12/15/2003, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire 03/15/2004, please amend the above-identified patent application a first time as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.